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THE
CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

R E P O R T
OF THE
DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS
AT THE
FIFTEENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING,
DECEMBER 17TH, 1862.

COPY OF ADVERTISEMENT.

CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given, that the **Fifteenth Ordinary General Meeting** of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate Street, in the City of London, on **Wednesday, the 17th of December inst., at One o'clock precisely**, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the Directors, and of transacting the ordinary business of the Company, as prescribed by the Deed of Settlement and Charter.

The Books kept by the Company for the Registration of Transfers of Stock will be closed from the 3rd to the 17th inst., both days inclusive.

By order,

GEO. GROVE,
Secretary.

Crystal Palace,
December 1st, 1862.

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THE
CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

Directors.

THOMAS N. FARQUHAR, Esq. CHAIRMAN, 65, *Moorgate Street*,
and *Sydenham*.

ARTHUR ANDERSON, Esq. *The Grove, Norwood*.

HENRY SANFORD BICKNELL, Esq. *The Lawn, Tulse Hill*.

CHARLES HORSLEY, Esq. 2, *Staple Inn*.

A. C. IONIDES, Esq. *Tulse Hill*.

JAMES LOW, Esq. *Gracechurch Street*.

DAVID OGILVY, Esq. *Dulwich Wood Park*.

DAVID PRICE, Esq. 16, *Gresham Street West*.

REGINALD READ, Esq. M.D. 1, *Guilford Place, Russell Square*.

REPORT of the Directors, to be submitted to the Fifteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Proprietors, at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate Street, at One o'clock precisely, on Wednesday, the 17th December, 1862.

IN submitting their Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st October, 1862, the Directors beg leave to congratulate the Proprietors of the Crystal Palace Company on the cheering result of the year's working, and on the favourable aspect of their affairs in general. An inspection of the Revenue Account will shew that the net amount carried to the credit of Revenue has reached the sum of £60,702 16s. 5d., being considerably in excess of that earned during the preceding twelve months. Deducting the amount applicable to Dividends on the Preference and Debenture Stocks, and other necessary charges, there remains at the credit of the General Revenue Account the sum of £33,017 7s. 4d., available for division amongst the Proprietors of Ordinary Capital. Out of this the Directors recommend the payment of a Dividend of

Three per cent (3s. per share) leaving a balance of £2,929 12s. 4d. to be carried forward.

This satisfactory increase in Revenue is accompanied by a corresponding improvement in general financial position, as a glance at the accounts will show. From the General Balance Sheet it will be seen that the heavy item formerly charged under the head of Loan Accounts has disappeared, while the Capital Account shows that the Mortgage-Debentures outstanding are now reduced to the insignificant sum of £6,900. Thus the Company is now, for the first time, practically free from debt. Nor does this gratifying result stand alone, since it will be seen from the General Revenue Account that Revenue will for the future stand unencumbered by any bygone liabilities, and be left available for Dividend—subject of course to the annual charges, and to the expenditure necessary for the current maintenance of the Building. This position has been attained by writing off the sum of £7,101 5s. 3d.—being the Balance of Expenditure, which the Proprietors are aware was carried over from last year—from the then Reserve of £10,176 15s. 2d. This step the Directors have decided on taking because they believe that under the improved aspect of the affairs of the Company, and the state of efficient and substantial repair in which the Building now stands, the same contingencies need not be apprehended which formerly led them to maintain the Reserve at so large a figure; while they also consider it very undesirable to clog the revenues of future years by carrying over amounts as a charge against them, unless an urgent necessity for such a course shall appear to exist.

The Proprietors are already aware that after the severe gales of 1861, the Directors considered it imperatively necessary to have the Building examined by a competent professional authority. They accordingly requested Mr. Edwin Clark, the eminent Engineer, to make a complete investigation of the whole structure, and the necessary works have been executed in accordance with his advice. The Report of that gentleman is submitted herewith, and it will prove to the Proprietors that the outlay

was absolutely unavoidable, and has been judiciously and effectively applied; and, further, that the confidence of the Directors in the future stability of the Building rests upon good foundation.

The Exhibitors' Department still maintains the steady rate of progress which has distinguished it during the last few years, and the Rental to the end of October last exceeded £14,000. This amount has been realised notwithstanding some sacrifice of income from the removal of a considerable number of tenants, who were not satisfactory either in their mode of doing business, or in the character of the articles they exhibited. The sacrifice is, however, amply compensated by the general improvement in the Department. The Directors look forward to a large accession of Exhibitors for the current year; having already, since the 31st October, made arrangements for additional rentals to the amount of about £2,000, from parties of reputation and standing. It is hoped that by careful attention to the interests of the numerous tenants of the Company, the present satisfactory position of this important branch of the Revenue may be fully maintained.

The Directors consider it due to Mr. Strange to refer to the increased amount of Rental received from him, and to express their satisfaction at the manner in which he has discharged the duties of his Department, which have necessarily been very onerous, owing to the large attendances of the past season.

The total number of Visitors during the year has been 2,020,219. On several occasions there have been very large attendances. The Proprietors will doubtless have remarked the return on the "Foresters' Day," August 19, viz. 83,721—not only the largest number yet attracted to the Palace on any one occasion, but exceeding by more than 15,000 the numbers visiting the International Exhibition on its most crowded day.

A considerable portion of the surplus land of the Company has been realised during the past year, at very favourable

prices. The amount received from this source will be found credited in the General Balance Sheet, and is thus brought in aid of Capital.

The prospects of the Crystal Palace, as regards increased Railway accommodation, continue to be very encouraging.

The Directors alluded in a former Report to the important Line of the South London and Crystal Palace Junction Railway, by which communication will be provided between the Termini at Victoria and Fleet Street, and the front of the Palace, a few feet only below the main floor. An agreement has been executed between the two Companies, under which, besides other advantages, this Company will receive a considerable sum for the land required for the Railway, which sum will come in relief of the expenditure on the Dulwich Wood Estate. It is understood that contracts have been entered into for the whole of the works of the Line, but the land belonging to this Company has not yet been entered upon.

Various Railway projects are announced for the coming Session of Parliament, which, if carried out, will give great additional facilities of access to the Palace. Among these the most prominent are :—

That of the Brighton Company, for a line from the present Crystal Palace Station, skirting the outside edge of the Park, and landing its passengers at the North end of the Building, on the level of the Machinery floor.

That of the South London Company, for continuing their Line, already referred to, from its high level in front of the Palace to the Norwood Junction.

Those of the Chatham and Dover Company, and of the Brighton Company, for extensions to Greenwich and Woolwich.

That for a Line across the Thames from Tower Hill, uniting the Blackwall and North London Lines to the Lines on this side the water.

It is to be regretted that the opening of the Junction at Falcon Lane—between the South Western System and the

West End Line, whereby the population of the Kew and Richmond District would be enabled to visit the Palace—and of the Kensington and Wandsworth Line, in direct connection with the North Western, Great Western, and North London Lines, should be so long delayed. The interests of this Company, no less than of the respective Railway Companies, are suffering materially by the delay, and it is earnestly hoped that some means may be found to hasten the early completion of both undertakings.

The Directors cannot close their Report without briefly recapitulating the main features of the present encouraging position of the Company. The Proprietors have now, for the first time, achieved three important advantages.

1. The Company is free from floating debt. Its Financial position is sound and satisfactory; and its Revenue not burdened by the encumbrances of former years.
2. The Building is in a more thorough state of repair, and in greater stability, than it has ever yet been.
3. The permanent attractions of the Palace and Park have attained such a pitch of matured beauty, as to compel universal admiration. During the past season the Crystal Palace has not only, by common consent, surpassed its newest and most dangerous competitor, but by the unanimous voice of the thousands who visited it from every quarter of the globe, has been proclaimed to stand unrivalled for its charms as a place of public resort in this or any other country.

Without arrogating to themselves any undue share of the merit of these three great facts, the Directors will only say that it is the earnest endeavour of themselves and the General Manager so to maintain the Establishment as to continue its progressive career, without relaxing their vigilant watch on the minutest details of expenditure.

By order of the Board,

THOS. N. FARQUHAR,

Chairman.

CRYSTAL PALACE,

December 5th, 1862.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

The Directors have received notice of the following Resolution intended to be moved at the Meeting by Lieut.-Col. H. Young :—

“That no persons, either Shareholders or their friends, be admitted to the Crystal Palace without payment.

“That such admission on the Lord’s Day is specially injurious to the character and interests of the Company ; and is virtually, if not actually, a violation of the Company’s Charter ; and of the injunction granted by the Vice Chancellor against the Directors in 1858 ; while it openly sets at nought the commandment of God, ‘Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.’”

MR. EDWIN CLARK'S REPORT.

To the Chairman and Directors of the Crystal Palace Company.

24, GREAT GEORGE STREET, WESTMINSTER,

Nov. 28th, 1862.

Gentlemen,

On being requested by you to examine into the stability of the structure of the Crystal Palace in the spring of 1861, I made a careful examination of the whole of the edifice.

With respect to the Nave, and all the low portions of the Building, I found that nothing more was required than to continue the course of steady repair, occasionally substituting Iron for Wood, with which you were already proceeding.

The Centre Transept, however, demanded a more substantial mode of treatment. Owing to the haste with which this portion of the Building was constructed, a considerable portion of Timber was originally introduced, which, from lapse of time, had become partially decayed. The extraordinary Gales of the spring of 1861, following those of former years, had, through the immense pressure they exerted over the large area of the Western front of the Transept, deranged the whole of the Framing of that front, and the semi-circular timber Fans which fill in the upper part under the Roof. In fact, the whole of this part of the Transept had been so much strained by the wind, that it demanded a prompt and complete repair before a recurrence of similar weather, which, in its then condition, might have been productive of serious consequences.

My recommendations were briefly these: I proposed to strengthen the existing columns at each end of the Transept by casing them, and connecting them firmly together, and by extending the foundations on which they rest. Also to replace the wooden columns by iron columns of the same character, inserting new girders and braces, and in some cases re-adjusting the diagonal ties. The fan-ends of the Transept I proposed to fix permanently to wrought-iron arches springing from the upright columns.

Under your instructions, and with your sanction, I placed the execution of these works in the hands of Messrs. Cochrane & Co. at contract prices.

I have the pleasure to report that the whole of this work has been completed in a thoroughly sound and efficient manner, and to my entire approval, and that this important portion of your building is now in a condition of greater permanent stability than when first constructed, and secure against the effect of any gales or storms.

It will be necessary to add some girders across the Nave, at the level of the springing of the Transept arch, to thoroughly connect the Western and Eastern ends of the Transept. These girders are already on the Company's premises, and can be erected at any convenient time.

The stability of the Centre Transept, and consequently of the whole edifice of the Palace, is materially increased by the works which have been lately carried out by your Staff in connection with the Great Orchestra.

On this matter I have to observe, that on my attention being directed to the design for the Orchestra Roof, I perceived that it might be made a valuable adjunct to the work I was then engaged upon, and suggested some modifications in its construction, which materially increased the strength of the building, at a point where such addition was very serviceable—namely, at the junction of the Naves and Transept.

By fixing wrought-iron ties to the ribs which carry the Orchestra Roof, these ribs have been converted into rigid and self-restrained arches, capable of acting either as ties or struts; and being firmly connected to the columns at each side—which columns were at the same time materially strengthened by casings—they

form a connection of the most substantial character between the opposite sides of the Transept, binding together the columns and framing on each side into one rigid system.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

EDWIN CLARK.

REVENUE

Dr.

From October 31st, 1861,

TO EXPENDITURE, viz.:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Management.....	Abstract (A)	7,975	2	5			
Maintenance and Repairs:							
Building	" (B)	16,340	13	0			
Gardens and Grounds...	" (C)	8,201	9	11			
Water, Engines, and							
Waterworks	" (D)	1,995	9	5			
Various Departments,							
with Alterations and							
Additions to same ...	" (E)	10,084	18	1			
Music	" (F)	6,025	13	7			
Expenses on Special Occa-							
sions, including proportion							
of Proceeds payable:							
Flower Show, May	" (G)	1,161	12	9			
For Special Attractions,							
Blondin Performances,							
Concerts, Fêtes, &c....	" (H)	17,362	5	2			
Flower Shows	" (I)	993	10	3			
Poultry and Cage Birds							
Show	" (J)	1,321	2	2			
Insurance of Building from							
Fire, and Fire Brigade.....	" (K)	901	11	7			
Law Charges.....	" (L)	158	13	7			
Rates and Taxes on Palace							
and Park	" (M)	2,885	18	1			
Literary Department, includ-							
ing Class Rooms and Guide							
Books	" (N)	1,619	14	1			
Commission on Sale of Sea-							
son Tickets allowed to							
Agents	£138 12 3						
Expenses on Season Tickets	244 0 7						
		382	12	10			
Charges—Stables.....		10	0	0			
Advertising, Printing, and							
Stationery, not charged to							
Departments.....		4,160	19	6			
Gas		1,376	15	9			
Miscellaneous		81	12	11			
Direction		630	0	0			
Audit		105	0	0			
Ground Rent of Land.....		26	5	0			
Catalogues, Picture Gallery—							
Cost		309	2	9			
Rent of Dulwich Wood—One							
Year to Michaelmas, 1862	1,344 14 0						
Less Ground Rents							
on Houses ...£121 0 0							
Rebate of Rent							
on Land taken							
by the West							
End Railway							
Company, and							
excluded from							
the College							
Lease	289 11 10						
	410 11 10						
		934	2	2			
To Balance carried to General Revenue Account					85,044	5	0
					60,702	16	5
					£145,747	1	5

ACCOUNT.

to October 31st, 1862.

Cr.

BY INCOME, viz.:			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Season Tickets at £1 1s.			5,316	19	0			
" " Children's, at 10s. 6d. ...			272	10	6			
Half-Season Tickets, 1861-62, and 1862-63, at 10s. 6d.....			1,377	3	3	6,966	12	9
Receipts from Admissions, Reserved Seats, Programmes, and Music:								
Flower Show, May, 1862			2,416	1	10			
Half-crown days			8,961	6	9			
One Shilling days			73,935	3	11			
Excursionists and Van Tickets			941	9	11			
Reserved Seats and Programmes not credited above			2,240	18	0	88,495	0	5
Subscriptions—Archery Fête						61	4	6
Receipts for Rental:								
General Exhibition			13,849	2	1			
Art Union Rent Account			162	11	0	14,011	13	1
Refreshment Contract			22,524	18	5			
Rent of Armoury.....			87	10	0			
Waiting and Cloak Rooms			2,239	18	8			
Stables			140	0	0	24,992	7	1
Commission on Sale of Agricultural Imple- ments.....						87	12	7
Commission on Sale of Pictures.....			295	18	0			
Catalogues, Picture Gallery—Sales.....			506	17	4	802	15	4
Poultry and Cage Birds Shows—Entries and Catalogues						639	18	11
Literary Department:								
News Room			240	13	0			
Guide and Hand-books			691	5	11			
Fees—School of Art, &c.			704	17	5	1,636	16	4
Cotton Twist and Weft manufactured						140	3	0
Sales of Surplus Plants						250	6	6
Rent of Houses in Dulwich Wood (less Ground Rent and Insurance)						590	13	6
Fees for Registration of Shares.....						73	15	0
Fees—Lost Property Office						10	8	0
Miscellaneous Receipts						25	0	1
Handel Festival Performance:								
Receipts			25,178	19	9			
Expenditure (Abstract G)			18,216	5	5	6,962	14	4
						£145,747	1	5

Dr.

General Revenue Account

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Interest to this date as follows:						
On Debentures	579	10	11			
On Debenture Stock	19,114	3	3			
On Preference Capital, including Reserve for Dividends on Stock unregistered	11,217	14	8			
				30,911	8	10
To Amount of Revenue Accounts outstanding, as per balance sheet on the 31st October, 1861				7,101	5	3
To Balance carried down				33,017	7	4
				<u>£71,030</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>

Dr.

Capital Account from the Commencement

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Amount expended to October 31st, 1861.....				1,429,433	7	11
To Amount expended subsequently to October 31st, 1861, viz.:						
Balance of Cost of Orangery on the site of the North Wing	1,765	9	3			
Permanent Works and additions to Building, including the Works required for strength- ening the Centre Transept	11,703	11	2			
				13,469	0	5
To Balance.....				54,379	16	8
				<u>£1,497,282</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

to October 31st, 1862.

Cr.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Balance of General Revenue Account, to October 31st, 1861	30,235 5 2	
Deduct Dividend of 2s. per Share on Ordinary Shares declared payable on the 15th January, 1862	20,058 10 0	10,176 15 2
By Balance of Interest Account		150 9 10
By Balance of Revenue Account to 31st October, 1862		60,702 16 5
		£71,030 1 5
By Balance		£33,017 7 4

to October 31st, 1862.

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Consolidated Stock, viz.:		
Ordinary Stock	1,002,830 0 0	
Preference 7 per Cent. Stock	160,652 5 0	
Debenture Stock	326,900 0 0	1,490,382 5 0
By Debentures outstanding		6,900 0 0
		£1,497,282 5 0
By Balance		£54,379 16 8

to October 31st, 1862.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Land Purchases, (after Crediting £11,058 18s. 6d. Proceeds of Land Sold during the year)				17,592	16	10
By Dulwich Wood Estate				24,597	1	11
By Houses on Dulwich Wood				19,276	18	1
By Debtors on account of Land Sales	2,406	11	9			
By Debtors on Sundry Accounts	9,013	9	9			
				11,420	1	6
By Stock of Stores, Materials, Seats, &c., in hand				3,067	4	4
By Revenue Account 1862-1863				375	17	3
By Cash at Bankers'	31,661	9	11			
By Cash in hand	524	2	2			
				32,185	12	1
				£108,515	12	0

A. C. IONIDES,
DAVID OGILVY, } *Directors.*
DAVID PRICE,

THOS. N. FARQUHAR, *Chairman.*

ABSTRACT A.

GENERAL MANAGEMENT.

SALARIES AND OFFICE DISBURSEMENTS:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries	3,676	4	2			
Postages, Parcels, Expenses of Meetings, &c.	376	5	3			
Petty Cash, Messengers' Expenses, Telegrams, and sundry Disbursements.....	177	18	0			
				4,230	7	5
ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS OF OFFICES:						
Mechanics' Wages	120	2	3			
Stores and Materials	173	17	7			
				293	19	10
MESSENGERS:						
Wages				245	14	1
METROPOLITAN POLICE:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages and Gratuities to Men.....				1,433	15	0
MONEY-TAKERS AND DOORKEEPERS:						
Wages				1,032	7	2
RAILWAY CONVEYANCE OF GOODS ...	6	19	7			
GENERAL RAILWAY CONVEYANCE OF STAFF.....	370	14	10			
				377	14	5
STOREKEEPER'S DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Storekeeper, and Wages of Men receiving, removing, and delivering of Stores	208	18	3			
Printing and Stationery, and General Expenses	35	18	0			
Railway Conveyance	25	10	0			
Carriage of Goods	2	5	8			
Postages	2	8	8			
				275	0	7
TURNSTILES (Repairs):						
Mechanics' Wages	45	1	9			
Stores	32	18	5			
Boxes for Tickets.....	8	3	9			
				86	3	11
				£7,975	2	5

ABSTRACT B.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF BUILDING.

REPAIRS TO MAIN BUILDING:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Clerk of Works, and Wages of Mechanics and Labourers	2,108	18	4			
Timber, Stores, Fuel, Materials, &c.	1,315	18	7			
				3,424	16	11
Carried forward.....				£3,424	16	11

ABSTRACT B.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Brought forward.....				3,424	16	11
HEATING THE BUILDING:							
Fuel	1,951	8	0				
Stokers' Wages.....	172	17	6				
Mechanics' Wages on the Apparatus.....	431	5	0				
Fire Bars and Materials from Stores.....	171	19	0				
Repairing Boilers.....	180	8	9		2,907	18	3
AWNINGS:							
Wages	182	6	8				
Materials from Stores	498	14	8				
Sewing Machine	12	0	0		693	1	4
FLAGS AND FLAGSTAFFS:							
Wages for Repairs, and Materials from Stores					30	7	11
NOTICE BOARDS:							
Wages	11	18	4				
Banners, and Materials from Stores	16	3	2		28	1	6
LOUVRES AND VENTILATION:							
Wages	297	19	3				
Stores	95	16	9		393	16	0
RAILWAY COLONNADE:							
Wages	337	8	0				
Stores	108	2	10		445	10	10
GAS FITTINGS, MAIN BUILDING AND OFFICES:							
Wages	161	8	6				
Materials	64	19	7		226	8	1
WATER TOWERS:							
Wages	32	15	5				
Stores	1	9	2		34	4	7
CRICKET GROUND:							
Awning and Marquee					59	7	6
ARCHERY GROUND:							
Wages	5	12	10				
Stores	3	12	2		9	5	0
GYMNASIUM IN PARK:							
Wages for Repairs					1	15	1
DRINKING FOUNTAINS:							
Wages	7	18	2				
Stores	5	4	5		13	2	7
	Carried forward.....				£8,267	15	7

ABSTRACT B.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Brought forward.....				8,267	15	7
STAGE ERECTED IN CENTRE TRAN-							
SEPT:							
Wages	629	15	10				
Materials	982	8	11				
Scenery	200	0	0				
					1,812	4	9
SOUTH BLOCK AND WING FOUNDA-							
TIONS, &c.:							
Wages	305	7	2				
Stores	225	3	11				
					530	11	1
TOWER, RAILWAY COLONNADE:							
Wages	35	7	7				
Stores	7	3	3				
					42	10	10
PORTICO, ENTRANCE CENTRE TRAN-							
SEPT:							
Wages	177	6	10				
Stores	121	5	11				
					298	12	9
STAIRCASE, MACHINERY DEPART-							
MENT:							
Wages	189	3	2				
Stores and Materials	121	4	6				
					310	7	8
STAIRCASE, CANADIAN COURT:							
Wages	82	13	2				
Stores and Materials	96	11	10				
					179	5	0
STAIRCASE, SOUTH WING:							
Wages	20	12	10				
Stores and Materials	29	5	7				
					49	18	5
FOUNTAINS IN BUILDING:							
Wages for Repairs	35	18	1				
Materials from Stores	83	6	10				
Contract for Reproducing in artificial							
Stone the two Fountains designed by							
M. Monti.....	452	6	2				
Cleaning Crystal Fountain.....	10	0	0				
					581	11	1
STATUES FOR TERRACE:							
Contract for eight Statues in artificial Stone					186	0	0
ROOF, FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA:							
Cost of Construction					4,081	15	10
					£16,340	13	0

ABSTRACT C.

MAINTENANCE OF GARDENS AND GROUNDS.

INTERIOR GARDENS:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Superintendent's Salary, and Wages of hands employed	1,485	17	8			
Mechanics' Wages, Repairing Orange Tree Boxes, New Forcing House, &c., &c....	313	8	3			
Boiler for Forcing House, Bulbs, Seed, Garden Pots, Manure, and Materials from Stores, &c.	496	11	5			
				2,295	17	4
SWEEPERS AND CLEANERS:						
Wages				590	1	7
SCREEN ACROSS NAVE, TROPICAL END:						
Wages, and Materials from Stores, taking down and refixing				70	8	2
ORANGERY:						
Mechanics' Wages				7	3	1
EXTERIOR GARDENS AND PARK:						
Superintendent's Salary, and Wages of Gardeners and Labourers	3,186	13	8			
Mechanics' Wages, Forcing House, Work in Frame Grounds, Repairing Fences, &c., &c.	873	19	7			
Boiler for Forcing House, Fuel, Stores, Seed, Plants and Bulbs, and General Charges for Horse Hire, Cartage, Gravel, &c....	673	18	9			
Horse	39	0	0			
Incidental Expenses	4	17	9			
				4,778	9	9
EXTERIOR ROADS:						
Cartage of Gravel, Lighting, and Wages for Repairs				459	10	0
				£8,201	9	11

ABSTRACT D.

WATER ENGINES AND WATERWORKS:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Engineers, Stokers, and Labourers ...	855	10	10			
Mechanics' Labour	74	17	10			
Fuel for Engines, Castings, and Materials from Stores, and General Charges	904	12	0			
Water supplied by Lambeth Company	160	8	9			
				£1,995	9	5

ABSTRACT E.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS,
ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO SAME.

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT:

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Men employed	1,039	6	2			
Mechanics' Wages	132	16	0			
Materials from Stores	222	7	0			
Models	10	0	0			
Stationery and Postages	3	6	4			
Travelling Expenses	5	0	0			
				1,412	15	6

MODEL GALLERY, INDIAN COURT,
AND NAVAL MUSEUM:

Wages of Attendants, and for re-arranging Models and Specimens	224	1	11			
Materials from Stores	68	10	10			
Incidental Expenses	7	6	3			
Stands for Model Gallery	59	16	8			
				359	15	8

EXHIBITORS' DEPARTMENT:

Rent of Paris Office (5 Months)	55	10	10			
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk, and Wages of Men	980	10	3			
Commission	1	16	0			
Stamps for Agreements	40	0	0			
Advertising	291	16	9			
Printing and Stationery	88	7	0			
Post Office Directories.....	7	19	0			
Postages, and addressing Envelopes	101	1	7			
General Expenses	29	10	4			
Mechanics' Wages	58	10	6			
Materials from Stores	287	16	2			
Compensation for Damage	38	3	6			
Law Charges	218	2	7			
				2,199	4	6

CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT:

Advertising	25	1	6			
Wages of Attendants	149	5	10			
Enlargement of Department:						
Mechanics' Wages	269	8	2			
Materials from Stores	95	4	0			
				538	19	6

CERAMIC COURT:

Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Attendant, and Materials from Stores				176	11	7
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AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT:

Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	176	13	6			
Mechanics' Wages	26	3	3			
Materials from Stores	23	9	7			
Advertising and Printing	7	17	6			
Postages and Stamps	4	3	10			
Railway Conveyance	6	0	0			
				244	7	8

Carried forward..... £4,931 14 5

ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				4,931	14	5
RAW PRODUCE DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	143	12	6			
Mechanics' Wages	3	19	11			
Materials from Stores	2	11	11			
Postages and Incidentals.....	0	14	10			
				150	19	2
NATURAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	305	14	10			
Mechanics' Wages	23	17	8			
Food for Birds, Materials from Stores, and General Charges	80	11	0			
				410	3	6
MACHINERY:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	421	18	10			
Fuel and Materials from Stores	377	19	7			
Mechanics' Wages	59	17	7			
General Charges	3	15	0			
Rent of Engine	16	17	6			
				880	8	6
PICTURE GALLERY:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	483	9	2			
Commission	76	9	9			
Salaries of Foreign Agents	206	5	0			
Freight and Charges on Foreign Pictures...	164	4	10			
Charges for Cartage, Delivering, and Col- lecting Pictures in Town and Country	107	7	2			
Railway Carriage of Pictures	37	15	11			
General Charges	32	4	2			
Railway Conveyance.....	9	0	0			
Postages and Stamps	22	18	4			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery	38	19	3			
Alterations and Repairs:						
Mechanics' Wages	£29	14	7			
Stores	27	6	1			
				57	0	8
				1,235	14	3
PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY:						
Mechanics' Wages	24	2	10			
Materials from Stores	6	2	9			
Advertising	33	2	6			
Printing	11	12	6			
Postages and Incidental Expenses.....	10	2	7			
				85	3	2
COTTON MACHINERY:						
Wages	237	8	3			
Cotton Purchased	162	14	1			
Materials from Stores	5	18	4			
Carriage of Cotton	2	7	11			
				408	8	7
WINTER CONCERT ROOM:						
Wages	56	4	0			
Materials from Stores	34	3	0			
				90	7	0
Carried forward.....				£8,192	18	7

ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				8,192	18	7
FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA :						
Wages and Stores for Repairs				77	1	6
AUTOGRAPH STAND :						
Wages and Materials from Stores				9	17	0
SEATS AND CHAIRS :						
Repairs and Renewal	171	5	3			
Proportion of New Chairs Purchased	300	0	0			
				471	5	3
WAITING AND CLOAK ROOMS :						
New Furniture and Fittings and General Repairs				381	13	5
REFRESHMENT DEPARTMENT :						
General Repairs :						
Mechanics' Wages	213	11	7			
Materials from Stores	83	12	3			
Insurance	70	17	6			
Excise Duties	16	16	0			
Amount payable under Order of Court on termination of Agreement for Exclusive Sale of Aerated Beverages	500	0	0			
				884	17	4
URINALS IN TUNNEL :						
Mechanics' Wages	32	6	11			
Stores	34	18	1			
				67	5	0
				£10,084	18	1

ABSTRACT F.

MUSIC.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries of Conductor and Band.....	4,993	7	8			
General Charges for Copying Music, and Incidental Expenses.....	82	17	9			
Hire of Music	61	1	5			
Railway Conveyance	234	0	0			
Daily Organ Performances	189	18	0			
Hire of Organ, and Tuning	300	0	0			
Insurance	16	4	0			
Mechanics' Wages	119	17	5			
Stores	2	7	0			
Printing and Postages.....	12	4	10			
Advertising	13	15	6			
				£6,025	13	7

ABSTRACT G.

EXPENSES ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

HADEL FESTIVAL, JUNE, 1862 :	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The Sacred Harmonic Society, for Musical Engagements, Music, &c., as per Agreement	11,139	1	4			
Advertising, Placarding, &c.	1,888	13	11			
Lithographing Tickets, Engraving, Printing, and Stationery	1,291	2	3			
Postages, Extra Clerks, and Miscellaneous Expenses	967	4	5			
Seats and Chairs	100	0	0			
Extra Police.....	108	7	10			
Refreshments to Orchestra, Stewards, &c. ...	775	4	4			
Cost of Books of Words and Scores	796	19	10			
Commission on Sale of Tickets	1,149	11	6			
				£18,216	5	5
FLOWER SHOW, MAY, 1862 :						
Mechanics' Wages	91	1	5			
Timber and Materials from Stores.....	67	18	4			
Prizes	543	7	6			
Judges' Fees	31	10	0			
Gardeners' Breakfasts	42	12	10			
Advertising and Placarding	178	12	2			
Printing and Lithographing Tickets	47	10	5			
Postages and Incidental Expenses.....	28	6	1			
Superintendent and Clerk	40	15	0			
Railway Conveyance	3	15	0			
Extra Police.....	3	5	0			
Military and Extra Bands	82	19	0			
				£1,161	12	9

ABSTRACT H.

EXPENSES OF SPECIAL CONCERTS, FETES, &c.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Saturday Concerts, Extra Attractions, Blondin Performances, Christmas Festival, Good Friday, Easter Festival, Archery Fête, Whitsun Festival, Concert 7th of August, Distribution of Prizes by the National Rifle Association, Dramatic College Fête, Foresters' Fêtes, Odd Fellows' Fête, Brass Band Contest, Mr. Strange's Festival Benefit, M. Blondin's Benefit, and Leotard's Performances	15,208	2	0			
Add Proportion of Receipts Payable by Special Agreement for Fêtes and Benefit Performances	2,154	3	2			
				£17,362	5	2

ABSTRACT I.

EXPENSES OF FLOWER SHOWS, &c.

CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW, NOV. 1861:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Mechanics' Wages		15	6	9			
Materials from Stores		2	4	11			
Prizes		71	16	0			
Refreshments for Judges.....		3	13	9			
Advertising and Printing		57	8	7			
Postages		2	14	3			
Superintendence		17	2	0			
					170	6	3
AGRICULTURAL ROOT SHOW, DECEMBER, 1861:							
Prizes		91	0	0			
Superintendence, Postages, and Incidental Expenses	£23	7	2				
Less Roots sold	7	2	3				
		16	4	11			
					107	4	11
ROSE SHOW, JULY, 1862:							
Mechanics' Wages, &c.		17	4	11			
Prizes		135	5	0			
Judges' Fees and Refreshments		16	11	0			
Advertising and Printing		75	15	7			
Postages and Incidental Expenses.....		8	17	4			
Superintendent and Clerk		17	5	0			
Extra Police		2	14	6			
Military Band		21	15	0			
					295	8	4
FOR EXPENSES OF MAY FLOWER SHOW, SEE ABSTRACT G.							
FLOWER SHOW, SEPTEMBER, 1862:							
Mechanics' Wages		24	19	7			
Materials from Stores		1	12	9			
Prizes		225	18	6			
Judges' Fees.....		18	18	0			
Gardeners' Breakfasts		31	19	6			
Advertising and Printing		66	5	3			
Postages and Incidental Expenses.....		10	14	2			
Superintendent and Clerk		37	0	0			
Extra Police.....		3	3	0			
					420	10	9
					£993	10	3

ABSTRACT J.

EXPENSES OF POULTRY AND CAGE BIRD SHOWS.

WINTER POULTRY SHOW, DEC. 1861:		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk		56 14 0	
Mechanics' Wages		50 1 6	
Materials from Stores, Food for Poultry, and Carriage		48 19 2	
Poultry Pens		42 1 0	
Postages and Incidental Expenses		39 19 6	
Prizes	£409 10 0		
Judges' Fees	21 0 0		
Refreshments	5 14 6		
	436 4 6		
Less Commission on Sales.....	45 5 2		
		390 19 4	
Advertising and Placarding.....		55 17 4	
Printing		12 13 0	
			697 4 10
CAGE BIRD SHOW, JAN. 1862:			
Salary of Superintendent		30 0 0	
Mechanics' Wages		6 14 11	
Stores		0 12 8	
Postages and Incidental Expenses		6 5 5	
Prizes	£58 5 0		
Refreshments	1 7 0		
	59 12 0		
Less Commission on Sales ...	8 17 11		
		50 14 1	
Advertising and Placarding		39 7 1	
Printing		6 7 0	
			140 1 2
SUMMER POULTRY SHOW, AUGUST, 1862:			
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk		61 4 4	
Mechanics' Wages		38 11 10	
Materials from Stores, Food for Poultry, and Carriage		30 11 6	
Railway Conveyance		3 15 0	
Postages and Incidental Expenses.....		31 3 6	
Prizes	£252 5 0		
Judges' Fees	14 14 0		
Refreshments.....	5 2 2		
	272 1 2		
Less Commission on Sales ...	30 13 6		
		241 7 8	
Advertising and Placarding		66 11 2	
Printing		10 11 2	
			483 16 2
			£1,321 2 2

ABSTRACT K.

INSURANCE FROM FIRE AND FIRE BRIGADE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Insurance of Palace				540	0	0
Wages	246	9	0			
Rents, Rates, and Taxes of Firemen's Houses	72	13	0			
General Repairs of Engines, &c.: Mechanics' Wages, and paid for Repairs	£21	14	3			
Stores	6	6	10			
	28	1	1			
Firemen's Clothing	14	8	6			
				361	11	7
				£901	11	7

ABSTRACT L.

LAW CHARGES:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Taxing Officer's Fee for Taxing Costs to December, 1861	22	9	6			
General Law Charges, from June, 1861, to June, 1862	136	4	1			
				£158	13	7

ABSTRACT M.

RATES AND TAXES:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Property Tax	38	10	6			
Assessed Taxes	34	10	8			
Poor Rates	1,558	13	6			
General, Lighting, Highway, and Sewers' Rates	1,176	12	11			
Church Rates	2	12	6			
Tithes and Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes ...	74	18	0			
				£2,885	18	1

ABSTRACT N.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT (INCLUDING
SCHOOL OF ART, &c., AND GUIDE
BOOKS):

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages	269	0	10			
Mechanics' Wages for Repairs	8	5	1			
Newspapers and Periodicals	109	10	9			
Binding.....	17	2	0			
Printing and Stationery	11	1	7			
Postages	2	8	9			
Railway Conveyance	18	0	0			
Petty Disbursements and Incidental Ex- penses	27	12	8			
	<hr/>			463	1	8
Class Rooms—Fees to Professors, Advertis- ing, Printing, and Sundry Disbursements				822	18	3
Official General Guide and Hand-books ...				333	14	2
	<hr/>			£1,619	14	1
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AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Shareholders of the Company

Having examined the books of the Company for the year ending the 31st of December 1900, I have the honor to report that they have been found correct and that the accounts are in accordance with the statements made by the management.

The accounts show a profit of £10,000 for the year ending the 31st of December 1900. This profit is the result of the successful management of the Company during the year, and is a credit to the shareholders.

The accounts also show a balance of £5,000 carried forward from the previous year. This balance is the result of the successful management of the Company during the year, and is a credit to the shareholders.

We have no objection to the accounts as shown, and the same are in accordance with the statements made by the management.

There will remain at the disposal of the shareholders £15,000, which will be paid to them on the 1st of January 1901.

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